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**MEMORANDUM FOR Army National Guard State/Territory G3s**

**SUBJECT: FY13 United States/United Kingdom/Germany (US/UK/GE) Reserve Officer Foreign Exchange Program**

**1. References:**

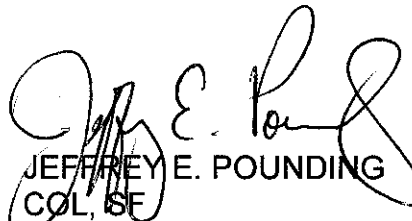
- a. Department of Defense (DoD) Directive 1215.15 and 5530.3.
  - b. Office of the Secretary of Defense-Reserve Affairs (OSD-RA) country specific Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs).
2. The Army National Guard (ARNG) is currently accepting applications for participation in the FY13 US/UK/GE Reserve Officer Foreign Exchange Program. Each year, the ARNG selects twenty ARNG officers to participate in the program. Officers are afforded the opportunity to perform a sixteen-day training period in addition to their regularly scheduled Annual Training (AT). The exchanges are conducted with the reserve forces from the German Army and the United Kingdom Territorial Army (UKTA).
3. Officers selected to participate will perform the exchange in a Title 10 status with all necessary funding provided by ARNG-ODO-Y. An Overseas Deployment Training (ODT) line number will be issued in the Army Training Information Management System (ARTIMS) for each State's deployment listed under "HQ, STARC".
4. The exchange is reciprocal. States/Territories selected to participate in the program must be able to host a German or British exchange officer during an annual training or similar day-to-day operations for the duration of the exchange. The intent of the program is to expose ARNG officers and their foreign counterparts to the organization, equipment, capabilities, and training of each country's reserve force. The program increases understanding of allied nation's reserve forces, builds partnership capacity, and improves joint interoperability. All exchanges are scheduled to take place between May and September 2013.
5. States/Territories are encouraged to nominate officers in the grades of Warrant Officer to Major that best represent their organization and the ARNG. Selection priority is given to traditional M-Day Soldiers.

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6. There are twelve British and eight German exchange opportunities available in 2013. Interested individuals must submit complete electronic applications (see enclosure) through their State/Territory chain of command for consideration. The selection process is highly competitive with each application going through a thorough review process. Individual applications will not be considered for the exchange program if they are not processed through the applicant's State/Territory Joint Force Headquarters (JFHQ).
7. Each State/Territory JFHQ must consolidate, prioritize, and send electronic applications/nominations to the point of contact in paragraph 11 **NLT 11 January 2013**. It is important that annual training dates and locations listed on the electronic application are confirmed/validated.
8. Selections will be announced NLT 25 February 2013. Selected officers will attend a mandatory Exchange Orientation Conference tentatively scheduled for 13 April 2013 at the ARNG Professional Education Center (PEC) in Little Rock, Arkansas. Travel dates for the conference are 12 and 14 April. ARNG-ODO-Y will fully fund conference attendance. Information regarding exchange funding, coordination, training highlights, travel arrangements, packing lists, etc. will be disseminated at the conference. In addition, UKTA exchange program managers will brief US participants on all aspects of the US/UK exchange. ARNG-ODO-Y personnel will brief US participants on all aspects of the US/GE exchange.
9. ARNG-ODO-Y will disseminate Exchange Orientation Conference funding instructions to participating States NLT 15 March 2013.
10. Additional information on the US/UK/GE exchange program can be found on the OSD-RA website located at: <http://ra.defense.gov/programs/rtm/rofep.html>.
11. Point of contact is MAJ Mike Seek EUCOM Theater Action Officer, Security Cooperation Branch (ARNG-ODO-Y), at 703-601-6997, DSN 312-329-6997, or michael.seek@us.army.mil.

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FY13 US/UK/GE Exchange Application

  
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